

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower for a continuously controlled window lifter which is mounted on a guide plate fixed in a motor vehicle and is displaceable along an adjusting path formed by a guide way, ~~with~~
comprising at least a first guide element which is mounted displaceable on ~~the~~ a first side of the guide plate, and at least a second guide element which is mounted displaceable on ~~the~~ a second side of the guide plate,
~~characterised in that~~
wherein the second guide element is held in an assembly position relative to at least one of the first guide element and ~~or to~~ another element of the follower through associated engagement regions, and
wherein at least for assembly the first guide element and the second guide element are movably mounted ~~movable~~ relative to each other so that at least the second guide element can be brought from the assembly position into a functioning position on the guide way of the guide plate.
2. (Currently Amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the engagement regions are designed as a releasable positive locking connection for secure hold in the assembly position.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the engagement regions are formed as a releasable force locking connection for secure hold in the assembly position.

4. (Currently amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the engagement regions are formed as a rupturable ~~regions~~ region for secure hold in the assembly position.

5. (Currently amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein for movable bearing the first guide element and the second guide element are rotatably mounted ~~rotatable~~ relative to each other.

6. (Currently amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein for movable bearing the first guide element and the second guide element are mounted displaceable relative to each other, ~~more particularly~~ ~~displaceable in translation relative to each other.~~

7. (Currently amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein in the functioning position the first guide element and the second guide element are fixed relative to each other through at least one of a further positive locking and ~~or~~ a force locking connection.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 7, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein a locking element is provided for locking the fixing of the functioning position.

9. (Currently amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the second guide element has as a positive locking engagement region a detent element, more particularly a detent nose or a detent groove.

10. (Currently amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the follower has several slide members which each have at least a first guide element and at least a second guide element, at least the second guide elements of the slide members are mounted movable, ~~more particularly rotatable,~~ relative to a lifting rail, the second guide elements are positioned relative to at least one of each other and/or to the lifting rail in the assembly position, and the guide elements can be moved, ~~more particularly rotated~~ from the assembly position into the functioning position.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 10, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the lifting rail has ~~engagement regions more particularly~~ positioning detent elements which act with the engagement regions of the second guide elements or with the engagement regions of the first guide elements to produce a secure hold in the assembly position.

12. (Currently Amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 11, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the positioning detent element of the lifting rail is designed as a pin which can be inserted into the lifting rail and which has ~~in particular~~ a rupturable region which can be broken during assembly.

13. (Currently amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ for the movable bearing wherein the

second guide element is mounted rotatable on the first guide element or on a stepped bolt of the follower.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~Guide~~ A guide plate for a continuously controlled window lifter in a motor vehicle, ~~with~~ comprising:

[[-]] a guide way for guiding a follower of the window lifter and for adjusting the follower along an adjusting path which is formed by the guide way, and

[[-]] a guide web of the guide way for guiding the follower in the plane of the guide way along the adjusting path, ~~characterised in that~~

wherein the height of the guide web of the guide way is reduced in a region for assembling the follower.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~Guide~~ A guide plate according to claim 14, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the guide way has track faces each associated with at least one guide element of the follower on either side of the guide plate and on the guide web, ~~track faces each associated with at least one guide element of the follower,~~ and the guide plate has an opening in the guide way along the adjusting path through which the follower can be fitted into the region of the assembly.

16. (Currently Amended) ~~Guide~~ A guide plate for a continuously controlled window lifter of a motor vehicle, ~~with~~ comprising:

[[-]] a guide way for guiding a follower of window lifter and for adjusting the follower along an adjusting path formed by the guide way, ~~whereby~~

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[[~~-~~]] wherein the guide way has ~~either side of the guide plate~~ web faces which are each associated with at least one guide element of the follower on either side of the guide plate,

[[~~-~~]] wherein the guide way has an opening in the guide plate which is engaged by the follower,

~~characterised in that and~~

wherein in an extension of the guide way in the guide plate there is a region for fitting the follower, and the opening is widened out in this region to enable the follower to be pushed onto the guide way for assembly.

17. (Currently Amended) ~~Follower~~ A follower for a continuously controlled window lifter which is mounted on a guide plate fixed in a motor vehicle, ~~more particularly according to claim 16,~~ and is displaceable along an adjusting path formed through a guide way, ~~with guide elements which are mounted sliding on the guide way either side of the guide plate,~~

wherein at least a first guide element is mounted ~~sliding~~ to slide on ~~the~~ a first side of the guide plate, at least a second guide element is mounted ~~sliding~~ to slide on the second side of the guide plate, ~~and between two guide webs of the guide way there is~~ a third guide element whose width extends between ~~the~~ two guide webs of the guide way,

~~characterised in that~~

wherein the width of the third guide element can be adjusted by an expanding element or by a mechanism adjusting the width of the third guide element, ~~more particularly~~ to the distance between the two guide webs.

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18. (Currently amended) ~~Continuously~~ A continuously controlled window lifter comprising:

 a follower for a continuously controlled window lifter which is mounted on a guide plate fixed in a motor vehicle and is displaceable along an adjusting path formed by a guide way, with

 wherein at least a first guide element which is mounted displaceable on ~~the~~ a first side of the guide plate, and at least a second guide element which is mounted displaceable on ~~the~~ a second side of the guide plate,

 wherein the second guide element is held in an assembly position relative to at least one of the first guide element and/or ~~to~~ another element of the follower through associated engagement regions, ~~and~~

 wherein at least for assembly the first guide element and the second guide element are movably mounted ~~movable~~ relative to each other so that at least the second guide element can be brought from the assembly position into a functioning position on the guide way of the guide plate,

~~and a guide plate for a continuously controlled window lifter in a motor vehicle, with~~

[[~~-~~ a]] wherein the guide way ~~for guiding a~~ guides the follower of the window lifter and ~~for adjusting~~ adjusts the follower along an adjusting path which is formed by the guide way, ~~and~~

[[~~-~~ a]] wherein a guide web of the guide way ~~for guiding~~ guides the follower in the plane of the guide way along the adjusting path,

wherein the height of the guide web of the guide way is reduced in a region for assembling the follower, and
wherein the follower can be driven along the guide way by means of a cable or a Bowden cable.

19. (Currently Amended) ~~Continuously~~ A continuously controlled window lifter according to claim 18, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the second guide element is able to swivel or rotate into an assembly position in which ~~this~~ the second guide element can be brought through an opening in the guide plate associated with the guide way at ~~the side of the~~ first side of the guide plate to the second side of the guide plate.

20. (Currently Amended) ~~Continuously~~ A continuously controlled window lifter for a motor vehicle, ~~with~~ comprising:

[[-]] a follower which is connected to ~~the~~ a window pane and can be driven by means of a drive mechanism for adjusting the window pane, and

[[-]] a guide way for adjusting the follower along an adjusting path ~~(z-direction)~~ formed by the guide way and for guiding the follower in a first guide direction substantially perpendicular to ~~the~~ an adjusting direction of an adjusting path section and for guiding the follower in a second guide direction substantially perpendicular to the adjusting direction of the adjusting path section in which the first guide direction forms a variable angle over the adjusting path relative to the second guide direction, ~~wherein~~

[[-]] wherein the guide way has an opening in a plate of the window lifter through which the follower is passed[[,]] and the

guide way has web faces which are associated with guide elements of the follower for guidance on either side of the plate,

~~[[-]] the guide way has for guidance either side of the plate web faces which are associated with guide elements of the follower,~~

[[-]] wherein the follower has at least a first guide element for guidance in the first guide direction ~~(x-direction)~~ and a second guide element for guidance in the second guide direction ~~(y-direction)~~, and

[[-]] wherein at least one of the ~~these~~ guide elements and/or other elements of the follower have a bearing by means of which the first guide element and second guide element are movably mounted ~~movable~~ relative to each other, ~~more particularly in dependence on the variable angle.~~

21. (Currently Amended) ~~Continuously~~ A continuously controlled window lifter according to claim 20, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the first guide element and the second guide element are mounted to swivel ~~or rotate~~ relative to each other by means of a swivel bearing ~~or a rotational bearing.~~

22. (Currently amended) ~~Continuously~~ A continuously controlled window lifter according to claim 20, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the first guide element is mounted on a ball joint and the ball joint is designed integral with the second guide element.

23. (Currently amended) ~~Continuously~~ A continuously controlled window lifter according to claim 20, ~~characterised in that~~

wherein the first guide element is mounted on a domed bearing of the second guide element.

24. (Currently amended) ~~Continuously~~ A continuously controlled window lifter according to claim 20, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the first guide element is mounted on a tilting joint of the second guide element.

25. (Currently amended) ~~Continuously~~ A continuously controlled window lifter according to claim 20, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the first guide element is mounted tilted on a stepped bolt of the follower which engages through the opening in the guide plate.

26. (Currently amended) ~~Continuously~~ A continuously controlled window lifter of a motor vehicle comprising:

_____ a follower ~~for a continuously controlled window lifter~~ which is mounted on a guide plate fixed in a motor vehicle and is displaceable along an adjusting path formed by a guide way, ~~with~~

_____ wherein at least a first guide element which is mounted displaceable on ~~the~~ a first side of the guide plate, and at least a second guide element which is mounted displaceable on ~~the~~ a second side of the guide plate,

_____ wherein the second guide element is held in an assembly position relative to at least one of the first guide element ~~and/or to another element of the follower through associated engagement regions, and~~

_____ wherein at least for assembly the first guide element and the second guide element are movably mounted ~~movable~~ relative to

each other so that at least the second guide element can be brought from the assembly position into a functioning position on the guide way of the guide plate, ~~and a guide plate for a continuously controlled window lifter in a motor vehicle, with~~
[[- a]] wherein the guide way for guiding a guides the follower of the window lifter and ~~for adjusting~~ adjusts the follower along an adjusting path which is formed by the guide way, ~~and~~

[[- a]] wherein a guide web of the guide way ~~for guiding~~ guides the follower in the plane of the guide way along the adjusting path,

 wherein the height of the guide web of the guide way is reduced in a region for assembling the follower,

 wherein the follower for guidance along the adjusting path has several slide members which are mounted to slide on at least a first, a second and a third guide way of the guide plate and engage through an opening in the guide way and the follower is guided in a first guide direction substantially orthogonal to the surface of the guide plate and through restrictions of the opening of the guide way in a second guide direction, and

 wherein the opening of the ~~(outer)~~ first guide way is wider than that of the second and third guide ways, and the follower is guided in the second guide direction only through the second guide way and the third guide way.

27. (New) A follower according to claim 6 wherein the first guide element and second guide element are displaceable in translation relative to each other.

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28. (New) A follower according to claim 10 wherein at least the second guide elements of the slide members are mounted rotatable relative to a lifting rail, and wherein the guide elements can be rotated from the assembly position into the functioning position.

29. (New) A continuously controlled window lifter according to claim 20 wherein the first guide element and second guide are movably mounted in dependence on the variable angle.

30. (New) A continuously controlled window lifter according to claim 20 wherein the first guide element and the second guide element are mounted to rotate relative to each other by means of a rotational bearing.